

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

**ROLL CALL** – Commissioner Drumm, Commissioner Blackburn, Commissioner Neal, Vice Mayor Robinson, Mayor Henderson, Attorney Denhardt and Attorney Rubenstein

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, May 13, 2020; Workshop Meeting, May 13, 2020**

Commissioner Blackburn made a correction to the May 13, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes: under Update on Status of Ethics Complaint, fourth line down, correcting the word Affordable to Affirmative. Vice Mayor Robinson moved to approve the minutes with the correction, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Roll call: all yes.

**RATIFICATION OF BILLS – May/June 2020**

Vice Mayor Robinson moved to ratify the May/June 2020 bills, seconded by Commissioner Drumm. Roll call: all yes.

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

Mayor Henderson – Mayor Henderson asked the Commission if they wish to speak to please be acknowledged so no one is talking over the other one.

Mayor Henderson announced that Town Hall is now open with limited access and restrictions. An intercom system, door buzzer and a glass partition with speaker have been installed. Operations at town hall have been moving right along, no services have been cut. There were 64 building permits issued in May with a total revenue of \$10,049.80.

Indian Shores Police Department – Chief Swann addressed the Commission stating operations have been continued through COVID. Additional patrol is continuing on the beach. Indian Shores Town Hall will open on Monday with restrictions. Chief Swann appreciates Redington Shores taking the precautions it has taken at town hall. He is immensely proud of his officers as they continue working through these tuff times.

Representative Webb addressed the Commission with updates on COVID-19. Phase 2 has been started allowing bars, bowling centers, movie theaters to open at 50% capacity. Pinellas Care Program has been extended to July 31. \$3,000.00 is given to families who need help and \$5,000.00 to businesses. These monies are used to help pay rent, bills, and a great program for tenants. They can Text COVIDCARES to 898211 to start their application process.

Last Legislative Session – Representative Webb had six bills on the floor and four passed. Raises for schoolteachers and the Water Protection bill was passed.

Another bill passed reduces the amount of wait time for those going into long term care from weeks to a matter of days. The Juvenile Baker Act Reform bill: sets up common sense protocol for the schools to practice de-escalation practices and critical incident training practices prior to calling the school resource officer and beginning the baker act process.

Representative Webb thanked the Commission for their time and insured them all she is there for them on any issue they would like to bring to her attention.

**Vice Mayor Robinson, Commissioner District No 3**

Emergency Management – hurricane season is here; we have already had three named storms. This year will especially changeling with COVID 19. Have been on many calls with Pinellas County EOC and the most

important thing is to have your plans ready. The Town held the Annual Hurricane Awareness Workshop on May 29<sup>th</sup>. There is valuable information that also can be obtained on the town website.

Finance – Vice Mayor Robinson reminded the Commission to please submit their budget figures to Town Clerk Palmer as soon as possible.

Commissioner Neal, Commissioner District No 2

Sewers – video inspections have been done on the east side of Gulf Blvd. Gathering information for the amount needed for the west side of Gulf Blvd.

Commissioner Jennie Blackburn, District No 1

Fire/EMS - Chief Burford addressed the Commission reporting the May 2020 stats and stating May was 35% slower than this time last year.

Fire – May 2020 - there no non-emergency calls. There were nine emergency calls with an average response time of eight minutes and three seconds.

EMS- May 2020 – there were ten non-emergency calls with an average response time of four minutes and forty-nine seconds and eighteen emergency calls with an average response time of four minutes and thirty-nine seconds.

Commissioner Drumm, District No 4

Gulf Beaches Library – the library is now open with new protocol to follow. Commissioner Drumm thanked resident Dave Motley for helping to install the safety shields at the circulation desk.

PSTA – PSTA has received money federal money to help with the rapid bus transfer.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

At this time, Attorney Denhardt read the rules of procedure for public comment for the virtual meeting.

Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Ordinance 20-05 – Eliminating Parking on Streets West of Gulf Blvd.

Attorney Denhardt read Ordinance 20-05 by title. Commissioner Neal moved to adopt Ordinance 20-05, seconded by Commissioner Drumm. Property Owner, Carol Muszik asked if this ordinance does not allow parking on the streets east and west of Gulf Blvd. Answer was, yes that is correct, and parking is allowed on Gulf Blvd. Roll call on motion and second: all yes.

First Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – 20-03 – Site Visibility Triangle

Attorney Denhardt read Ordinance 20-03 by title. Vice Mayor Robinson moved to adopt Ordinance 20-03 on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Roll call: all yes.

First Reading – Ordinance 20-07 – Increasing Parking Fines and Other Specific Fines

Attorney Denhardt read Ordinance 20-07 by title. Vice Mayor Robinson moved to adopt Ordinance 20-07 on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Roll call: all yes.

First Reading – Ordinance 20-04 – Securing Properties of Absent Owners

Attorney Denhardt read Ordinance 20-04 by title. Vice Mayor Robinson is concerned the verbiage for the wind at a not withstand a category four storm, pretty strong wind, might want to have properties secure at a lesser wind speed. Commissioner Neal moved to adopt the ordinance taking out the wind speed and putting in if they

are not going to be here, they must secure their property before they leave, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson. Property Owner, Carol Muszik asked if herself or any commissioner go on vacation and they do not secure their property are they subject to 60-days in jail. Attorney Denhardt stated this is a normal penalty provision and normally on any ordinance you want it to have consequences. Vice Mayor Robinson stated this ordinance is written for those that are absent from their property. It should also address those that are living here. After discussion, this ordinance was tabled to address those concerns.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Discussion - Town Picnic October 10, 2020

Mayor Henderson asked the Commission if the town should have the picnic as usual or postpone, due to COVID-19. Mayor Henderson stated she does not want to ignore the picnic all together and stated she discussed with Town Clerk Palmer about having a trucks drive through town. Such as a food truck, beverage truck, ice cream truck. Commissioner Neal suggested moving the picnic to February. Commissioner Drumm stated he is good with moving the picnic. Commissioner Blackburn stated we need to make sure we do not overlap with other events in February and is good with keeping it in October. Vice Mayor Robinson asked if there is any information on the cost. Mayor Henderson stated she has not investigated that yet, as she was waiting to hear on how the Commission felt. Mayor Henderson was asked to gather more information on the cost for the next meeting. Attorney Denhardt stated Redington Shores could be the first town to have a Drive by Picnic.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Property Owner, Carol Muszik addressed the Commission with concerns regarding the proposed Vacation Rental Ordinance, i.e., parking, trash and noise are already in other areas of the code. Request to have the peer to peer companies to supply records, should be the management companies responsible. Property owners should not be responsible.

Resident, Marek Stobnicki addressed the Commission stating he has lived in town for four year on Lee Ave. and things with rental houses are getting out of hand. The owners of these properties do not live here. He suggests adding to the ordinance a security deposit and if no violations occur the deposit will be returned. Vice Mayor Robinson stated a lot of work went into the creation of this ordinance; he takes all comments to heart. Vice Mayor Robinson will work with Attorney Denhardt

Resident, Leslee Copick addressed the Commission – asking if there is a easier way for the P&Z Board to get information from the town’s meetings, as she is not sure if they were up to date with the actions of the workshop meeting concerning the proposed vacation rental ordinance.

Resident, Cynthia Hoyt, member of the Planning and Zoning, replied she did review the minutes and participated in the workshop meeting. She takes her position very seriously. The Board agreed something needs to be done. They came through with a motion that some changes need to be made in the current ordinance and liability was a great concern.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Henderson announced the following meeting dates:

Workshop Meeting – Wednesday, June 24, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting - Wednesday, July 8, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Mary F. Palmer, MMC  
Town Clerk

